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### In Reply Refer To:

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Dear Interested Citizen:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is in the process of conducting an Environmental Analysis (EA) to identify and address issues associated with placing a culvert in an unnamed tributary to Hinsdale Slough to re-create access to Spruce Reach Island. We are sending you this letter because you have requested to be informed about projects of this type.

The Spruce Reach Culvert Project area is located in Section(s) 32 and 33 in T. 21 S., R. 11 W., W.M. It is in between the Umpqua River and State Highway 38, three miles east of Reedsport, Oregon, across from the Dean Creek Elk Viewing area.

We are in the scoping phase of the EA. The purpose of scoping is the early identification of site-specific resource concerns, the identification of unique or sensitive features in the project area and the identification of issues and concerns specific to the project area that should be considered during the analysis.

Early comments are helpful to us. We would appreciate receiving your scoping comments by October 3, 2008. This is not, however, the only opportunity you will have to comment on this project. There will be an opportunity for review and comment after we have specific project proposals and have prepared the EA and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the above address during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays and may be published as part of the EA document or other related documents. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

If you would like more information or would like to talk with us about the project, feel free to contact the project planning team leader Nancy Zepf at (541) 751-4313. Please send your written comments to Nancy at BLM 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, OR 97459, or e-mail them to [www.blm.gov/or/districts/coosbay](http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/coosbay), Attn: Nancy Zepf. Thank you for your interest in BLM lands. My staff and I look forward to your comments.

Sincerely,

*Dennis Turowski /s/*

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